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CRECH AND WORKING WOMEN HOSTEL SCHEME
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

the programmes implemented by his Ministry under the "Crech and Working Women Hostel" and the formula adopted by the Government for providing Loans/Grants and other financial assistance for these schemes alongwith the details of contribution provided by the State Governments therein?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JAS KAUR MEENA)

For the welfare mainly of casual, migrant, agricultural and construction workers, the Department of Women and Child Development is operating a scheme known as "Creches/Day Care Centres for the children of Working and Ailing Women". Under the scheme, benefits are provided to children of parents earning less than Rs.1800 a month up to the age- group 0-5 years to cover the services of day care, including sleeping, supplementary nutrition, immunization, medicines and entertainment. The commitment of Central Government towards running of the scheme is limited to Rs.18480 per annum per creche, besides a non-recurring grant of Rs.4000 per creche in the first year of its establishment/operations. While the above grant is expected to take care of about 90 per cent of the operational cost of a creche and the balance 10 per cent is expected to be met out of the income of the sponsoring institutions/organizations. The scheme does not envisage any contribution from the State Government.

Under the Working Women's Hostel Scheme, which again has a component for day care centres, assistance is made available to institutions, including voluntary organizations to the extent of 75 per cent of the approved cost of construction in the form of grants-in-aid leaving the balance 25 per cent to be met by the sponsoring organization/institution. This scheme also does not visualize any contribution from the State Government.